



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF:

GROUP: 1654

RA, et al.

SERIAL NO.: 10/632,266

EXAMINER: MCCORMICK EWOLDT S B

FILED: JULY 29, 2003

FOR: COATING COMPOSITION FOR CEREALS HAVING A PREVENTATIVE OR

TREATING EFFECT ON DIABETES AND CEREALS COATED THEREBY

ELECTION AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Communication dated November 2, 2004 in the form of a Restriction Requirement.

Applicants elect the species "an extract comprising an extract of a herb mixture containing mulberry leaves and *Panax ginseng*" from claim 1. Applicants further elect "rice" as the source of starch from claim 5 and "polished rice" as the cereal from claim 8.

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